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Mr. William McC. Martin, Jr.  
Member, Advisory Council  
School of Advanced International Studies  
The Johns Hopkins University  
1906 Florida Avenue, N. W.  
Washington 9, D. C.

Dear Bill:

This is a somewhat belated reply to your letter of 18 April telling me of the plans and progress of the School of Advanced International Studies.

I read your letter with a great deal of interest and was particularly pleased to hear of the excellent progress the School has made during the past year. I certainly hope that you will be successful with your application to the Ford Foundation and if you wish me to do so, I will be glad to put in a good word there.

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With best wishes,

Faithfully yours,

Allen W. Dulles  
Director

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. Dulles

*Casper*

As you recall, when you first read this letter you were not certain whether the request was for Agency funds or for your own personal contribution. I talked to Matt Baird about this and he is not sure either; however, Matt feels that we should not obligate Agency funds for this particular venture since there are a number of other schools conducting a similar training program and they could stand a little donation also.



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THE JOHNS HOPKINS UNIVERSITY  
1906 FLORIDA AVENUE, N.W.  
WASHINGTON 9, D.C.

April 18, 1959

Mr. Allen W. Dulles  
P. O. Box 1513  
Main Post Office  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Allen:

As you know, the School of Advanced International Studies is submitting an application to the Ford Foundation involving several million dollars. The proposal, which has the personal endorsement of Dr. Eisenhower, will be submitted before June 1st. Dr. Eisenhower has been told by officers of the Ford Foundation that several large grants will be made in June, and that the School's application stands a good chance of receiving favorable consideration. There is a real danger, however, that this chance may be jeopardized unless the School's accumulated deficit of approximately \$40,000 can be eliminated. This is a serious matter and one which demands the immediate attention of all members of the Advisory Council.

The School has been making great progress during the past year. It has received more applications from highly qualified students than ever before. The demand for the School's graduates by business corporations has increased. The Conferences for Corporation Executives had the most successful year in their history. A higher calibre of business executive attended and 60 new companies sent representatives. The School's services were in great demand by agencies of the Government. As a result, the School is conducting a year-round mid-career training program for officers of the International Cooperation Administration and a training program prepared for the Foreign Service Institute of the Department of State is being attended by twenty senior Foreign Service Officers.

In my opinion, the School is doing a splendid job and has limitless opportunities for development. The opportunity to secure substantial support must not be lost through

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failure to meet this relatively small deficit. Although you undoubtedly have many pressing obligations and commitments, I do hope that you can assist in this emergency. Any contribution which you could make to the School would be deeply appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

*Bill M.*

William McC. Martin, Jr.  
Member, Advisory Council

P. S. The information concerning the Ford Foundation proposal is, of course, confidential.

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